MRS, DU PUY WON'T SETTLE

Unless the Full Amount Paid for Her Stock Is Returned.

HEARING BEHIND CLOSED DOORS.

Bankers Testify, but Nothing Startling Was Developed.

JUDGE WHITE SHUTS OUT REPORTERS

Maryland Central Baltimore Belt road York and Peach Bottom and Penn Anthracite Coal Company affairs had another airing yesterday.

"Don't say a word to reporters" was the motto of nearly everybody concerned on either side, and yet THE DISPATCH as usual has been able to learn such of the proceedings as were of interest, as well as some things not before Commissioners Robb and

It was stated by one of those largely interested in the corporations in question at this time, and who has had to do with the shaping of recent events of importance rethe Du Puy suit all the important litigation had been compromised. This was news of a very decided character, as it would seem to include the suits against D. Herbert Hostetter to recover \$1,500,000 of securities alleged to be improperly held by him. When asked if the Hostetter suits were included in the compromises the gentleman referred to said that they had been recently settled on a satisfactory basis and that three attempts had been made to adjust the Du Puy case in view of the favorable outlook for the general scheme. Mr. Du Puy would not agree to the terms suggested, and for the present his sait will

Hoping Still for Final Success. It is understood that the lauds which formed the mining property of the Penn Anthracite Coal Company are now in the hands of N. W. Taylor from whom they were originally purchased by J. H. Miller, Mr. Taylor is friendly to the Maryland Central scheme, and has agreed to join it as soon as it is fully developed. The other railroads which are concerned, the York and Peach Bottom and the Susquehanna extension of the Maryland Central, are reorganized and rearranged. Owing to the troubles which have arisen the Baltimore Belt road has been absorbed by the Baltimore and Ohio, but the Maryland Central retains its traffic agreemen with the Belt line and the use of its old terminals. It is declared by those in charge of the scheme that it will shortly work out all right, and that instead of losing money the Pittaburg banks and others who hold bonds and stocks will not lose money on

The hearing in the case was resumed yesterday behind closed doors. The same old crowd of lawyers, bankers, plaintiffs and defendants were present, but they were all pledged to secrecy, and the reporter were excluded under instructions Judge White to the Commissioners. A few weeks ago, Mr. Plummer, for the Tradesman's National Bank, complained to the court that the proceedings were public. Judge White Seems to Be Astonished.

The Judge was very much astonished and asked it any of the Commissioners were in the courtroom. Mr. Beal happened to be there, and the Judge told him that the reporters must not be admitted to the hearings. He added that the Commissioners were appointed to take the testimony for the Baltimore court, and, if the Judge there saw fit to give it out, it would be all right, but under no other circum stances must the evidence be made public. Judge Magee dissented strongly from this opinion, and held that the public had a right to hear the testimony and know how financial institutions are conducted. In view of Judge White's positive in-structions the Commissioners decided to exclude newspaper men, and the lawyers on both sides pledged them-selves not to divulge any of the testimony. The attorneys in the case were careful to state that they had no objection to making

the testimony public.

Winfield J. Taylor, for the plaintiffs, said: "We certainly hadn't any objections to the reporters being present, for we have nothing to fear. Just as I expected, the evidence to-day was of no con-sequence, and was not detrimental to us or the banks. I objected to impertinent ques-tions. I regard the work of the plaintiffs as an impudent foraging into private affairs. When I saw the turn the examination was taking, I objected from the start, as the testimony had no bearing on the case

Everybody Seemed to Be Satisfied. At the outset Mr. Taylor objected to the questions of Attorney Schoyer as improper and he claimed the commission was irreg ar. The Commissioners overruled the objection. At the conclusion of the hearing in the afternoon Mr. Taylor said he was satisfied. S. Schoyer, for Mrs. Amy Du Puy, the plaintiff, remarked that if the defendants were satisfied he certainly was. He expressed himself as well pleased with what had been developed at the hearing. He added that the bankers might as well have testified in the first place instead of making so much fuss about it.

John Henry Miller, one of the defend-

ants, of Baltimore, was present and said he had nothing to conceal, and he wanted the

had nothing to conceal, and he wanted the testimony published.

"The public will begin to think now," said Mr. Houseman, "that there is really something serious back of these proceedings. I am opposed to star chamber sessions. Mr. Miller lost a great deal more money than the Pittsburg people. There never was a Maryland Central pool. The people here invested their money in a scheme that failed. Mr. Miller held more of the stock than the Pittsburgheld more of the stock than the Pittsburgers and he lost heavily. I assert again that the losses in this city did not occur in the Baltimore companies, but Maryland Cen-tral shares were put into holes made by declines in various local stocks."

Discounted Only for Individuals. The officers of the Tradesmen's Bank were asked in regard to notes discounted by them for various individuals with a view of as certaining whether there was any connec-tion with the Terminal Company. The bank officers stated emphatically that they had never done any business with the com-pany, but had dealt always with individ-

Ex-Cashier Dunn, who was one of the last witnesses, corroborated the evidence of the Tradesmen officials.

the Tradesmen officials.

Cashier Steinmeyer, of the Third National Bank, it is claimed, also denied having any dealing with the Terminal Company direct.

He said that notes had been discounted for individuals and stock taken as collateral.

He was cross-examined at some length without devaluning anything new. out developing anything new.

A. C. Dravo was the last witness. He explained his connection with the com-

panies and told how he had bought securities directly from J. H. Miller, but never from the Terminal Company. He also told of his securing loans for the individuals who had originated the scheme Mechanics and Day Laborers Wi viduals who had originated the scheme after a careful investigation of the project in Baltimore. He thought it was a good thing then, and still believes that it will be brought to a paying basis. It had been expected that something sensational would be learned from Dravo, but this was a mistake. He was examined in much detail, but did not seem to have any dynamite concealed about him.

At the conclusion of his evidence the At the conclusion of his evidence the hearing was adjourned.

#### GRIER COULDN'T VOTE

The County Commissioners Declare He Is Only a Clerk-Lively Points Raised on the Awarding of the Natural Gas Contract-Grier Will Appeal.

County Controller Grier is again at sea as to what position he occupies. This time the trouble occurred over the letting of the natural gas contract for this year. County Commissioner Mercer was away at the seashore for his health. This left only Com-

missioners Weir and Boyle at the meeting yesterday, together with Controller Grier.

Commissioner Boyle's story of the affair is as follows: "The Manufacturers' Gas Company put in a bid to furnish gas for \$800 a month. The bid was sent to the Commissioners' office and was opened by one of the clerks. In some way a tip was given to the People's Gas Company, and it put in a bid \$25 cheaper. The superin-tendent of the Court House in his report to us stated that during last month there were five days that the People's Gas Company did not furnish enough gas to run the elevators. Last winter we had to use coke in the jail. We sent a man around to places furnished with gas by the Manufacturer's Company and found they had a good supply. For that reason I voted for the Manufacturers' bid while Messrs. Grier and Weir voted for the Peoshaping of recent events of importance regarding them, that very important compromises had been made. It was said by this gentleman that with the exception of the Du Puy suit all the important litigation.

as follows:

That from and after the passage of this act all contracts made by the Commissioners of said county, involving an expenditure exceeding \$50, shall be in writing, and shall, immediately after their execution, be filed with the Controller, for over \$100, unless when made with the lowest and best bidder after due notice to be published by the Controller, when directed by the Commissioners, if he approves the purpose of the proposals invited; all bids to be received by the Controller under seal, and to be opened in his presence by the Commissioners and the controller shall keep a record; and he shall certify no warrants for contracts not made agreeably thereto.

"As soon as Mr. Weir read this he agreed

"As soon as Mr. Weir read this he agreed with me and the vote is a tie. Controller Grier at once declared he would advertise for no more bids or approve warrants until the court decided what power he has and

Controller Grier was seen, but refused to say anything further than that the People's Company had big holdings in the new Pin-hook field and would have plenty of gas.

#### BAND CONCERT IN ALLEGHENY.

The Threatening Weather Interfered bu Little With the Attendance.

A dense, surging throng, numbering 5,000 people, braved the threatening skies and flocked about the West Allegheny Park last night to hear the open-air concert. The light rain that fell in the early evening frightened many away, but, notwithstanding this, the mingled assortment of listeners filled the broad walks until it was almost impossible to move in and out.

There were people of all sorts present, from the sedate bewhiskered man who from the sedate bewhiskered man who wildly cavorted about in his imagination at the strains of inspiring music, to the unfortunate youth who took idiotic delight in inflicting bad jokes upon those who stood nearby. There were musical enthusiasts and those who only enthused oversome love of a fellow or some delightful bit of femininity. There were addit to the control of the cont bit of femininity. There were oldish folks and neither. Mothers with babes in their arms and mothers without. Girls with beaux and girls without. The throng was very much cosmopolitan, as types of all nationalities were mixed indiscriminately as they listened to the strains from the 40 odd musicians on the stand.

A concert by a picked band was to have been given in Schenley Park last evening under the auspices of the Pittsburg Traction Company, but was postponed on ac-

#### CATTLE FOR THE FAIR.

Breeders Want to Know About Space and Their Share of the Appropriation The cattle men of the State held a meet. ing at the Seventh Avenue Hotel vesterday to make arrangements for their exhibit at the World's Fair. John I. Gordon, of Mercer, presided. They wanted to know how much space they could have and what portion of the appropriation of \$300,000 they would receive. John A. Woodward, As-sistant Executive Commissioner, was pres-ent, but he couldn't give a definite answer to either question. It was decided then to ad-

either question. It was decided then to adjourn until August 30.

W. G. Berry, of Hustonville, said the space would not be large but the breeders would make the most of their opportunities. Special attention will be paid to the display of sheep. The State is noted for its sheep, and can make a good showing with these animals. Mr. Berry said other States would outdo them with desaught horses but would outdo them with draught horses, but Pennsylvania can make a good exhibit of horthorn and dairy cattle.

#### MONEY COMING IN SLOWLY.

The Fourth of July Fund Grew Very

Gradually Yesterday. Only \$60 was contributed to the Fourth of July fund yesterday, the first day for some weeks it has fallen below \$100. The absence of Mayor Gourley from his office might have had an influence in this effect, but he will be there to-day to acknowledge in person all donations of great or small magnitude. The patriots yesterday were R. G. Dun & Ca., who gave \$10, Reymer Bros. \$10, R. H. Lindsay, for the Elyria Stone Company, of Ohio, \$25; Neville Bayley \$5, M. Weiss \$5, and D. R. Torrence \$5.

Postmaster Gilleland's Condition Hopeless The condition of Postmaster Gilleland, of Allegheny, was slightly improved last night, but his physicians stated that he could not live long.

The Chicago Way. A group of Western and Eastern members were recently sitting in a Committee Room in the House, at Washington, when the subject came up of Sousa, the famous band-master of the Marine band, going to

Chicago.
"Why, Chicago'll want the Capitol next," an Eastern member remarked.

It is this "Chicago way" of getting good things that has given the great Prairie City her pre-eminence in so many important business lines. Chicago is the greatest manufacturing center in America, and in-vestors have a fushion of following in the wake of factory strongholds, for that means

stability and permanence.

In the center of Chicago's best residence district, Sheldon Heights is situated. A lot in this most desirable, growing location is a safe permanent investment. The syndicate of wealthy and successful men owning this property have prepared a handing this property have prepared a hand-some booklet, "The Way to Win," and a request sent to James E. & Robert L. Mcrequest sent to James E. & Robert L. Mc-Elroy, Chamber of Commerce, Chicago, will bring it to the address of any person who wishes reliable information about Chicago's interesting future. The prices and terms of lots in Sheldon Heights are within any sav-ing person's reach. Write to-day and men-tion this paper.

Mechanics and Day Laborers Will Abide With the Amalgamated.

ANOTHER CONFERENCE. TO-DAY

Steel Workmen Will Talk Again With Mr. Potter.

THE TIN HOUSE SCALE IS SIGNED

Five hundred men representing the day and tonnage workers employed in the mills of the Carnegie Steel Company at Home stead gathered in Magdala Hall at 7:3 o'clock last evening to discuss the labor situation. Harry Dodds acted as chairman. He stated that the object of the meeting was to decide whether or not the scale recently presented by Superintendent Potter should receive any consideration, or whether the men were fully prepared to stand by the scale they had sent into the convention of the Amalgamated Associa

Some of the men present, not being fully acquainted with the terms of the last men tioned paper, asked that it be read. This request was granted, and when it was shown that this scale contained no radical changes over the one now in force it was favorably received. However, there were a few present who seemed dissatisfied and they declared they were against it going into the convention. Their reasons were that under the terms of the new scale their wages would be decreased instead of being raised. When the matter was more thoroughly explained to them, however, and they were shown that their wages would remain the same, they concluded to sangtion the new

Adopted the Scale as Presented. At this point there was a general discus sion of the report which recently gained widespread circulation that the mechanical men and day workers had signed the scale presented by Superintendent Potter. This was finally denounced as incorrect. Here a motion was made and carried that the new scale be adopted as read. John Lynch, of the Amalgamated Association, was called the Amaigamated Association, was called upon to address the meeting. He said: 'It has been asserted throughout the mill that the Amaigamated Association did no good for the day workers, and that when the Association signed the scale after the strike of three years ago they left the day men out in the cold." That's what they did." "That's right," called out several men in the rear of the ball

"I did not come here to argue this matter," continued Mr. Lynch, "but I will wager \$20 to \$1, and lay the money upon this table, and then leave it to four neutral continues are a second to the second terms. gentlemen present if what I say is not cor-

No one accepted the wager, and Mr, Lynch then went on with his remarks without further interruption. He continued:
"I must say that speaking practically, the day workers during the strike of three years ago received a guarantee from the Amalga-mated Association, and in return gave nothing. What I mean is that while the mem-bers of the Association were obliged to pay their initiation fees and dues to keep up the lodges, the day workers, or non-members, did not have to pay anything.

Will Stand by the Day Workers. "All they gave us was their sympathy in coming out on a strike with us, and for this we stipulated in our agreement with the Carnegie Steel Company when we returned to the mills, that the pay of the day worker should remain the same for the period of three years, and all the men out on the strike should be returned to their respective positions. If the day worker follows the same course he did three years ago and goes out with us in case of a strike we will never go back to the mill without him." Chairman Dodds said he could testify to the truth of Mr. Lynch's remarks. "Three years ago Mr. Loveday and myself were elected by the Washington lodge as delegates to the Amalgamated Convention. At this time Mr. Abbot had insisted that there should be a decrease of 5 per cent in the wages of the day workers. Through the efforts of the Amalgamated Association this was prevented and I retained my position, was prevented and I retained my position, when if they had not given us assistance we would have been in very bad shape. I do not intend going back upon them now."

After Mr. Dodds had finished the Slavs and Hungarians insisted upon having the tht general order of the business of the meeting interpreted to them, which was done.

A Pledge From the Slave.

Following him was John Spawn, a Slav. He told the Amalgamated men that his people intended to join them, and help as far as they were able, but he desired in return that the Amalgamated Association should take care of the foreigners, as they, being little used to the ways of the coun-

being little used to the ways of the country, were liable to get into trouble.

At the close of Mr. Spawn's remarks the motion was made and carried that the mechanics and day workers in the Carnegie steel plant should abide by the decision of the Amalgamated Association. This motion literally closed the business of the evening. The tonnagemen were asked to withdrawn to give the day workers a chance to select a con day workers a chance to select a committee to confer with the manufacturers at the meeting to-day. During the meeting it was announced that Superintendent Potter had communicated with the majority of day workers during the afternoon, and informed them that there was considerable work on hand that night and he would need work on hand that highly and he would not them. This announcement was afterward confirmed, and the men in the hall united in saying it was nothing but a scheme to pre-vent the men from attending the meeting.

Paying a Compliment to the Dispatch, While the session was still in progress the question arose whether it was proper to allow newspaper representatives to be present. This occasioned considerable argument, in which it was stated by several of the members that THE DISPATCH, in headling the newspace of the headling the handling the news of the labor situation during the past three weeks, had not only been entirely correct but very comprehen-sive. The matter was subsequently not to a motion, and it was unanimously decided to allow the correspondents to remain.

On Tuesday last there was a meeting of the men employed in the guide mill and a motion was made and carried to the effect that the men should not accept the scale as offered by the Western Iron Association, and if the manneturers did not accept the

#### HIS DECISION RESERVED.

Hearing in the Suit Against Members of the Builders' Exchange.

Before Alderman Means, of the East End, last evening, a hearing was held in the case brought against members of the Builders' Exchange charging them with conspiracy. The information was made by Ellsworth W. Houston, a contracting bricklayer, against H. R. Barnes, President, D. F. McAfee, Secretary, D. E. Sheridan and H. M. Kerr, all of whom belong to the Builders' Ex-

The prosecutors were represented by At-torneys James Fitzsimmons and L. K. Por-ter, and the defendants by E. G. Ferguson. ter, and the defendants by E. G. Ferguson. Houston's testimony was to the effect that the defendants had conspired to ruin his business by refusing to sell material to him, anyone he worked for, anyone who worked for him or for any building on which he was employed simply because he was a union bricklayer and among the strikers in that particular trade. Several other witnesses were called, who corroborated his statement.

At the close of the testimony Lawyer
Ferguson asked for the discharge of the defendants, as they had the right to sell to
whom they pleased and also to refuse to sell

to anyone they did not care to deal with.
Attorney Fitzsimmons claimed that conspiracy had been shown and asked that the
defendants be held. The Alderman reserved his decision until next Tuesday evening at

After this a hearing was begun in the case brought by Issac Register against President Barnes, E. A. Knox, Samuel Francis, T. J. Hamilton and others, also members of the Exchange, but only one witness had been called when the suit was continued.

#### STEEL MEN TO CONFER.

Members of the Amalgamated Will Meet General Manager Potter To-Day and Discuss the New Homestead Steel Scale -The Work of the Convention.

At 10 o'clock this morning a conference will be held between the Steel Conference Committee of the Amalgamated Association on one side and General Manager Potter, of the Carnegie Steel Company, Limited, on the other. The new Homestead steel scale will be discussed. The conference was arranged after much labor by the Amalgamated Steel Wage Committee, who visited Homestead and secured Mr. Pot-ter's consent to a conference. He told the committee he desired the mat-

ter arranged as speedily as possible. The committee will report the result of their efforts to the convention, which holds a con-tinuous session at Forbes street Turner Hall to-day. The greater part of to-day's work will be

confined to the reports from standing com-mittees. Afterward the convention will adjourn, to enable delegates to prepare for the banquet at Homestead this evening.

Yesterday the delegates assembled as usual at 10 o'clock, but soon adjourned in order to give the dozen or more business committees a chance to finish some important matters on hand for a week or more.

While the convention was still in session While the convention was still in session yesterday news was brought to President Weine that the men connected with the Weine that the men connected with the transportation department of Carnegie, Phipps & Co. had signed a scale presented to them by General Manager Potter. According to the terms of the scale the engineers and conductors each receive 27 cents per hour, while the firemen receive 18 cents and the brakemen 22 cents. The scale is for a region of three verses communications. for a period of three years, commencing June 22, 1892, and ending June 22, 1895. The delegates were very much pleased at the promise of at least one scale being ad-justed satisfactorily. This scale is known as the tin house, or McKinley scale which was thoroughly discussed and practically

was thoroughly discussed and practically settled at a meeting. That meeting began at 7:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, and lasted until 4 o'clock yesterday morning.

John Jarrett, Secretary of the Manufacturers' Association, at the conclusion of the session, said "the regulation scale of the sheet, tin and terne plate mills as arranged by the Amaigamated Association had been accepted by the manufacturers with two or

accepted by the manufacturers with two or three changes." According to Secretary Madden, of the Amalgamated Association, there are still two points of dispute, the wages paid to the shearman, and the amount of money paid by the manufacturers for working No. 12 gauge and heavier when it is 48 inches or more in

and heavier when it is 48 inches or more in width. This, matter, it is expected, will be satisfactorily arranged in a few days.

During the meeting last night the Amalgamated Association showed they were willing to make any fair concessions in the scale by agreeing to the manufacturers' proposition that the workmen should hereatter work the full eight hours regardless of the output. Heretotore the output regre after work the full eight hours regardless of the output. Heretofore the output regu-lated the day's work, and the men some-times completed their labors in from 4½ to 5 hours. The Conference Committee also conceded a reduction in the wages of the feeder employed at the shears, but it was not sufficient to satisfy the manufacturers. The matter will be laid before the Amalga-mated Association convention for finel setmated Association convention for final set-tlement, and when it has been satisfactorily arranged, the manufacturers will sign the

Superintendent P. Self, Jr., Retires. P. Seif, Jr., Superintendent of Carnegie's Twenty-ninth street mill, handed in his resignation to General Superintendent Seif was the youngest of all superintendents in the Carnegie associations. His resigna-tion was actuated by personal reasons.

Improvements at Wilmerding. Many large improvements will be made by the Westinghouse Airbrake Company at their large works in Wilmerding during the summer. Already contracts have been awarded for the erection of 100 houses to cost in the neighborhood of \$125,000.

#### CLEVELAND WEAK IN NEW YORK.

Colonel Stone Says Pattison Is the Strongest Man the Democrats Could Name. Colonel Stone arrived in the city from Washington yesterday. "Can Cleveland carry the country?" he was asked. "No, sir," was the reply. "Cleveland is probably the strongest general candidate that the Democrats could name, but he is weak in New York, which is the great battle ground. Harrison can carry that State easily against Cleveland. The best man our opponents could name is Governor Patour opponents could name is Governor Pat-tison. He is strong where others are weak, and he would be hard to beat. I feel con-fident, however, of Republican success in

Another Bridge to Homestead. A charter was granted yesterday to the Homestead Bridge Company. W. J. Burns, President of the Second avenue electric road, was asked whether this was a part of the Second avenue extension scheme. He said he knew nothing of this bridge more than that it was to cross the river at Brown's station. The Second avenue company has already secured its charter for a bridge and would have the road in operation in Homestead but for the oposition of Councilmen.

County Democracy's New Clubrooms. The County Democracy yesterday moved o their new rooms in the old University building on Diamond street. The rooms four in number, are fitted up in a tasteful manner, and the members have made arrangements to receive some of the pilgrims from Chicago on their return to their homes in the East. The Philadelphia men will be the particular object of their courtesies.

Overcome by the Heat. Joseph Blezancis, a Russian laborer employed at Barry's Pipe Mills, South Side, uffered a severe sunstroke yesterday at 3:30 o'clock. He was 19 years old and had been in this country for only three weeks. He was removed to the Southside Hospital. His chances for recovery are good.

Meeting of P. & C. Directors. The directors of the Pittsburg and Connellsville road held a special meeting in the Baltimore and Ohio depot yesterday. General W. H. Koontz, of Somerset, said their business was of a private character, and would not interest the public.

#### 8:50 P. M.

SATURDAYS Js the latest moment at which small advertisements will be received at the

#### **ALLEGHENY BRANCH OFFICE** For insertion in the

SUNDAY DISPATCH. On week days the office will remain

### FIRE AT THE BEACH

Atlantic City Pleasure Resorts Go Up in Clouds of Smoke.

GIGANTIC PIN WHEELS OF FLAME

Furnish Bright Illumination for the Midsummer Visitors.

PYROTECHNICS ON THE OCEAN SHORE

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 22.-Fire broke out at 8:15 to-night in the rear of Mervin's bathing establishment, near the corner of Kentucky avenue and the boardwalk. The city owes its delivery to-night from total destruction to a slow breeze and the daring and arduous work of a welldrilled fire department. The total loss will be a hard matter to estimate, because the loss of the season's business to about 20 establishments would have to be taken into

consideration in the grand total. The buildings which were entirely con sumed number 12 and Senator John Gardner places the immediate loss at \$60,000.

The firms burned out include L. R. Adams, Chester county bath house; Takamwia, Japanese curio establishment; Zeuber's Atlantic Bazaar; Campi's fruit store; Myers' shooting gallery; Houng, McSheag & Fratinger's Academy of Music; the Linwood baths; EaLigthey's establishment; Carr's bath houses; Mervin's No. 2 bath houses; Dehaven bath houses; Glazier's photograph gallery. The large Japanese bazaar of Jo James Wing Lee & Co. was damaged, but nearly all the goods were removed to a spot near the beach.

The only death resulting from the fire was that of Wm. Poplar, of Philadelphia. Poplar started to run to the fire from his place of business several blocks below and at the corner of Kentucky avenue he fell dead on the boardwalk of paralysis. lantic Bazaar; Campi's fruit store; Myers

dead on the boardwalk of paralysis.

Flery Pinwheels of Pleasure's Playthings. When the fire broke out it looked like a harmless affair and hundreds of persons who were parading the boardwalk rushed through the bath house entrance to within 20 feet of the spot. The supply of water was not all that the fire department could have desired for the inadequate streams directed on the flames seemed at first to urge them on to increased vigor. When the flames gained enough headway to enable them to lift forked tongues above the adjoining low buildings, the slow land breezes began to send burning brands whirling up the beach, creating the greatest alarm.

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The fire consumed the bath houses in the rear of the giant observation wheel and then advanced in a warlike manner to the popular toy of the children. Soon the chairs and gilded chariots on the big wheel were ablaze and the naval swing began to revolve rapidly, resembling a gigantic pinwheel.

From here the flames spread to the immense Japanese bazaar of Tokamura, and in a short time the place was gutted. At this point the firemen saw that at least one block of the wooden buildings were doomed and a masterly campaign was settled upon to rescue the adjacent property. The Hard Battle of the Firemen.

A Cordon was statioued at the Kentucky avenue end of the fire and half a dozen streams were directed to keep the fire from spreading to the south. No power on earth could keep it from eating its way northward, and although the plucky firemen fought every inch of the way the flames were not checked until for the stream of the stream Griffith's scenic railway and figure eight were threatened, as the flames swept along to the north. The boardwalk and all the pavilions were destroyed and had it not been for this fact the firemen could have checked the configgration before it reached the fine new Academy of Music treached the line new Academy of Music belonging to Young, McShea and Fralinger. When this roomy structure was reached a line of hose was brought to the front, but it was too late to be of much service. The flames moved steadily on until the harrowing of the row of structures gave the firemen an opportunity to attack from the other side. Then the end was near, and after a plucky fight of four hours the firemen gained the upper hand. On the beach the scene was one of mixed grandeur and ludierous ness, and 20,000 people were massed along the strand, sometimes ankle deep in surfand the breakers caught many napping.

#### HEAVY SALES OF COAL LANDS.

some Big Transactions in Westmoreland County During the Past Year. In Westmoreland county the sale of coal lands has during the last year been phenomenal. The money brought into the county by this alone aggregates over \$2,000,000 The purchasers are from New York, Philadelphia, Erie and Cleveland, as follows: Charles T. Peters, New York, 3,500 acres in Sewickley township, gas coal, \$395,000; Westmoreland Coal Company, Philadel-phia, 1,200 acres in North Huntingdon township, \$250,000; also 1,000 acres in Reuben township, steam coal, \$125,000; Elkins Gas Coal Company, 900 acres in Penn Elkins Gas Coal Company, 900 acres in Penn township, steam and gas coal, \$200,000; Penn Gas Coal Company, 2,300 acres in North Huntington and Sewickley townships, gas coal, \$325,000; Youghiogheny River Coal Company, of Erie, 1,000 acres on Youghiogheny river, in Sewickley township, gas coal, \$240,000; George B. Roberts, Jr., and others, of Philadelphia, 800 acres in Hempfield township, gas coal, \$98,000; Philadelphia people identified with the Pennsylvania Railroad, 2,300 acres in South Huntington, \$230,000. In addition to these enormous sales, 500 acres of coking coal enormous sales, 500 acres of coking coal near Mt. Pleasant, at \$500 an acre, were sold to W. J. Rainey, of Claveland, and numerous other sales made in Rostmore

#### BULLETIN BOARD CROWDS.

The Contest Too One-Sided to Create Very Much Enthusiasn A good-sized crowd scanned THE DIS-PATCH bulletin board all evening and long after midnight. There was little enthusiasm. It was a foregone conclusion several days ago that the sicket will be Cleveland and Gray. The failure of the other candidates to show any degree of strength removed all interest from the contest for those who like a hot fight and close finish. Cleveland appears to satisfy the bulk of local Democrats, and even the Republicans regard him as a safe man, but they think he is weak in New York, and for this reason they want to see

him nominated.

The crowd waited patiently for the balloting to commence, and the bulletins concerning the nominating speeches and other details of the convention were taken as a matter, of course. When the announcement was made that Cleveland's name was being cheered, it did not touch a similar chord in the hearts of the populace before the board. There was a time when Grover received a mighty ovation in Pitts-burg, but then he had recently been mar-ried, and the enthusiasm was really for his beautiful consort.

Remodeling the Big Duquesne Cars. The Pittsburg Traction Company will today start one of the large Duquesne cars previously operated by the Duquesne Company. The car has been remodeled and hung on lighter trucks and painted the same as the Fifth avenue cars. The com-pany intends to remodel the balance of the large Duquesne cars as soon as possible.

Held as a Witness James Snead, arrested in Allegheny with two other small boys, Howard Hall and Joseph Myers, who are charged with rob-bing houses, is held as a witness, there be-ing no evidence to implicate him in partici-

#### DIED OF HOMESICKNESS.

McKeesport Mystery Explained-1 Slav Boy Recently From the Old Country Suicides—His Body Found Floating is

The mystery of the bundle of clothes found on the river bank at McKeesport on Tnesday was explained yesterday by the finding of the body of the owner floating the river at Riverton bridge. Edward Bowman at noon yesterday saw the body floating about 40 feet from the shore, and swimming out brought it in, when it was soon identified as that of Andrew Mikulik,a

17-year-old Slav boy, who had bee ployed at the National Tube Works. Mikulik has only been three months in this country, coming here alone and making his home with an uncle at McKeesport. He was last seen alive on Monday evening when he started up street from the works, saying he would return shortly. A letter found among his effects at the uncle's house shows that he suicided, but his uncle testified before the Coroner yesterday that the boy had no troubles of any kind and never complained of anything except homesick-ness. The letter written in the Siav lauguage reads as follows:

My Dear Uncle and Your Woman:

I wish you all good. I congratulate my father, mother and my sister. I jump into the water after writing this. Nobody knows it but myself and God.

My dear uncle, the picture in my trunk give to the photographer and have mine taken by itself and send it to my father. I won't see him any more. Congratulate my father, mother and sister, my good uncle and his wife. I congratulate you and your children, You can do with my effects as you like. I am going to the other side.

Andrew Mikulik.

The Coroner's jury rendered a verdict of suicide, and the remains were interred yesterday afternoon owing to their decomposed

#### AN ACTOR'S DEATH

Causes an Investigation by the Police in This City and Boston-Two Mysterious Wounds on the Corpse-Death After a Few Hours' Illness.

The police are investigating the cause of the death of Robert Allen, of 2600 Penn avenue, who died in Boston, Mass., on May 28, and who was buried here in St. Mary's Cemetery on May 30. Allen was an actor whose real name was Patrick Haulon. He was 23 years of age and single. When his oody was being made ready for burial the indertaker noticed two knife wounds in the tomach, but did not say anything about it until some days after the interment. Then Mrs. Hanlon, the mother of the dead man, went to see Superintendent O'Mara about it and that official wrote to the Boston officials for information. In response Superintendent Eldredge, of that city, sent

a letter here yesterday.

Hanlon was living at 17 Indiana Place where several actors boarded. He took where several actors boarded. He took sick suddenly one night and physicians were sent for but acute peritonitis had set in about six hours. There are one or two circumstances about the case, however, that are calculated to annoy Mrs. Hanlon unless cleared up. She has received several letters from Boston, one from a Dr. Thompson, one from Frank Smith, a companion, and one from Julia Lee, an actress. The doctor is a colored man, and he and Julia Lee agree that Han-lon's illness was sudden, while Smith speaks of it as lasting a week. Superintendent O'Mara wrote another letter to Superintendent Eldredge last night, asking him to inquire as to the cause of the wounds in the stomach, and to get the true story of the duration of Hanlon's illness.

#### YESTERDAY'S HOSPITAL ECHOES.

One Man Has His Side Pierced by a Red Hot Iron.

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There were seven accidents yesterday. This is the list:
STRIEB—Andrew Strieb, an employe at the National Tube Works, had a red-hot bar thrust into his side just above the thigh. The wound is an ugly one, and he will hardly recover.

BROUGHER—Henry Brougher, and a will was struck by a shift.

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BROUGHER—Henry Brougher, aged 32 years, was struck by a shifting engine at Walker's Mills on the Panhandle, and beside being hurt about the head had his left arm so badly crushed that it was found necessary to amputate it.

GROSSEE—Peter Grosser, aged 30 years, a Russian, employed at the Sligo Mills, had his foot badly crushed last night by having a heavy iron bar fall on it. He was taken to his home on South Sixteenth street, where the injured member was amputated.

CUMMER—Joseph Cummer, aged 28 years, while coupling cars at the Lucy furnaces, fell between two cars and was badly crushed about the body yesterday. He was taken to his home on Thirty-fifth street.

BRECG—John Breck, of 208 Sandusky street, Allegheny, had his arm broken by falling from a porch yesterday alternoon. He was removed to Allegheny General Hospital.

THOMPSON—Willie Thompson, of Cliff Thompson—Willie Thompson, of Cliff street, aged 6 years, fell through the second-story joist down into the cellar of a new house, on Webster avenue, last evening. His right arm and shoulder were fractured. Baker—A horse driven by Charles Baker became frightened at a Duquesne car on Forbes street last night and shied to the side of the street. The buggy struck a pole and threw Baker out. His head was badly cut.

#### ANNIE M'EACHRAN'S SUICIDE.

Why the Young Girl Killed Herself Is Still One of the Mysteries, The Coroner's jury yesterday rendered a

verdict of death by rough on rats taken

with suicidal intent in the case of Annie McEachran. The cause of the girl's act is still shrouded in mystery, the testimony of the witnesses failing to throw any light upon the affair. Mr. Martin was entirely relieved from any blame for the said affair. Rev. Father Tobin, of St. Mary's Church, says that Miss Eachran had been an Episcopalian, and that she was only received into the Catholic Church when she was upon her deathbed. He says that when it was found she could not recover she appeared perfectly reconciled, and did not at any time ask him to send for Mr. Martin. Father Tobin says he only saw Martin in the house once during his three visits on Tuesday and only met Martin once, who did not enter the room of the dying girl while he was there. Coroner McDowell has announced his intention of making strenuous efforts to prevent the sale of the deadly rough on rats. He will ask the Medical Association to assist him in the preparation of a bill to present to the next Legislature prohibiting or restricting the sale of the drng.

He Is a Politician From Alabama James Sullivan, the man who was found baday injured at the Birmingham depot and had been unconscious at the Southside Hospital for some days, has so far recovered that last night he was able to give an account of himself, but doesn't know how he was injured. He is a citizen of Jefferson county, Alabama, and says he was elected to represent that county at the State conven-tion last week. He is well posted and claims to have stumped the State in the in-terest of Ruben S. Cobb, candidate for Gov-ernor on the anti-convict labor issue.

#### Shook Charged With Crusity. Mrs. A. J. Hall, of East street, Alle-

gheny, was held for court trial by Aldermen Bleichner for the alleged kidnaping of the 4-year-old son of Jacob Shook, Jr. Anti-Cruelty Agent McDonald preferred charges against Shook for cruelty and neglect of the child in the case.

A Generous Inheritance Jacob Hanselman, watchman at the Mechanics' National Bank, Aliegheny, is the only heir of the late John Hanselman, of Wurtemburg, Germany, who died there upon March 25, and will come in for an estate estimated at \$20,000. LOOKING AT A FARM.

Municipal Officials and Councilmen Visit the Neeld Place.

SEVERAL OBJECTIONS RAISED.

Two Hundred and Fifty an Acre Considered Pretty Steep.

CHARGING HIGH PRICES TO THE CITY

The visit of city officials and Councilmen to the proposed new Poor Farm on Chartiers creek yesterday was a pleasant affair for those who attended, notwithstanding the long tramp over the property. A car-load of persons, including Captain Neeld, the owner of the farm, Mayor Gourley, Chiefs Elliot and Brown, nearly all the members of the Charities' Committee, a number of other Councilmen and half a dozen citizens and newspaper men formed

When the train reached the Neeld farm it was stopped and the party began an inspection of the property. An hour sufficed for this task and then an excellent luncheon of sandwiches, spring chicken, etc., provided by Captain Neeld, was partaken of in the

Thence until the train started home the party put in the time discussing the merits and demerits of the farm. There was a preponderance of opinion in favor of the property, the members of the Charities Committee, who had previously visited it, lending their assistance to Captain Neeld in showing off its good points.

Several Visitors File Their Objections. There were several objectors, however, the first objection raised being by Council-man MacGonigle. He declared for a river front and did not believe that Chartiers front and did not believe that Chartiers creek was large enough to supply water for a big institution with 700 or 800 inmates.

Dr. Evans talked to Captain Neeld in the presence of several listeners. "No fault could be found with the topography, the grade, or the elevation of this property," said the doctor, "but the most of it has been wofully neglected, is covered with briars, undergrowth and weeds, and it will cost from \$15,000 to \$20,000 to put it in good cultivation. If you will agree to return that tivation. If you will agree to return that amount of money to the city after payment has been made, I will agree to vote for the

purchase of your farm. Captain Neeld took the proposition seri-ously. He refused to consider it, however, saying he owed nothing to the city, was not even a resident, and if Councils wanted his farm at \$250 an acre they could have it, but under no other conditions. "I bought this farm in 1863," said the Captain, "not 1882, as has been alleged, and I will cheerfully show my deed for it. I paid \$60 an acre at that time. The coal

under it is to-day worth \$200 an acre. On a farm within a mile of mine \$300 an acre has been paid for the coal alone. This farm is worth \$250 an acre to-day, and in five years will be worth \$500 an acre." They Think the Price Is Pretty Stiff. Councilman George Wilson-1 think \$250 n acre is a stiff price for this farm, but I

an acre is a stiff price for this farm, but I have not seen any other at as reasonable price. The city should get a farm for \$200 in my opinion.

Councilman Thos. McClure—I don't believe the farm worth over \$150 an acre. If the coal is worth \$100 more the city gets it at a fair price, but I hardly think it is worth so much. a fair price, but I hardly similar to much.

Mayor Gourley—It seems \$250 is a stiff price, but the farm is a nice one and seems to have no equal in Chartiers Valley. It appears the city can't get property for the same price an individual could buy for. If Councils decide to buy this farm I will interpose no objections. It is not such a terribly high price after all, and, as we have an even year in which to put up buildings and transfer the city's wards from the old farm, something must be done at once.

Chief Brown was pleased with the farm.

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